Mr. K. S. Manickam (*Irinjalakuda*).—Is th Government aware of the fact that the site in front of the office of the Inspector of Agriculture was being used as a playground?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Joint Secretary to Government*).—No, Government are not aware.

Mr. K. S. Manickam (*Irinjalakuda.*)—May I know the reason why the present Inspector of Agriculture does not allow the site in front of his office to be used as a playground?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Joint Secretary to Government*).—Government are not aware.

Mr. K. S. Manickam (*Irinjalakuda*).—It was for a long time used as a playground.

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Joint Secretary to Government*).—The answer is no.

Regarding the clubbing together of the departments of Anchal and Registration.

358. Mr. T. C. Iyyukutty (*Pazhanji*).—Will the Government be pleased to state whether they cannot club together the departments of Anchal and Registration in future?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Joint Secretary to Government*).—The question of amalgamation will be considered.

Regarding rural recontstruction works at the Depressed classes' colonies.

359. Mr. A. Narayana Menon. (*Vyttila*).—Will the Government be pleased to state whether useful rural reconstruction works are carried on at any of the Depressed classes' colonies; if so, where; if not, will they be pleased to introduce some works at some centres?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Joint Secretary to Government*).—Yes. Poultry farming has been introduced in Herbertnagar colony. The question of starting rural reconstruction works on a larger scale is under the consideration of the Government.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Wadakancheri*).—May I know whether Government have got any definite scheme for starting rural reconstruction work?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Joint Secretary to Government*).—We have received certain proposals from the Protector

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of the Depressed classes as also from the Director of Industries. I do not know what the Hon'ble Member means by definite scheme.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Wadakancheri*).—I want to know whether any particular line of action has been chalked out or whether it is only a haphazard method.

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Joint Secretary to Government*).—Certainly not a haphazard method. There are certain proposals for starting certain industries. One industry has been started in this particular colony here. Government is considering other proposals one by one.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Vadakancheri*).—Will these proposals be placed before the Advisory Committees for Agriculture and Panchayats.

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Joint Secretary to Government*).—The schemes proposed by Government officers according to the present rule are not placed before the Advisory Committees. It is only suggestions made by non officials that are placed before the advisory committee. Government will consider the advisability of changing the procedure if there is a large demand on that matter from this House.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Wadakancheri*).—My position was only this. The Dewan President has been pleased to give us certain committees with the intention of taking the non-officials into confidence of the Government. My question is whether the Government will at least discuss these proposals coming forward and accept the non-official view and thus take them into confidence.

Mr. President.—That is being done. With regard to this definite scheme of rural reconstruction I am now in correspondence with the Secretary of the Rural Reconstruction Committee of the Y. M. C. A. I have suggested to them that if they would send a trained expert we would start a rural reconstruction centre in a proper place which would serve not merely as an experimental centre but a place for practical demonstration. I am now under negotiations with the association.

Regarding the cash collections of tolls through Municipal employees from the boats that touch at Canal Jetty at Mattancheri.

360. **Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan** (*Mattancheri Town-North*).—Will the Government be pleased to state whether the

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